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FARM PONDS

Farm ponds impound surplus run-off water and provide water for livestock in areas of deficient rainfall. In addition, ponds make desirable areas for recreational and wildlife development. If ponds are not to become mere silting basins, it is important that erosion-control practices be instituted on their drainage areas. Where possible, the drainage area should include only pasture or woodland.



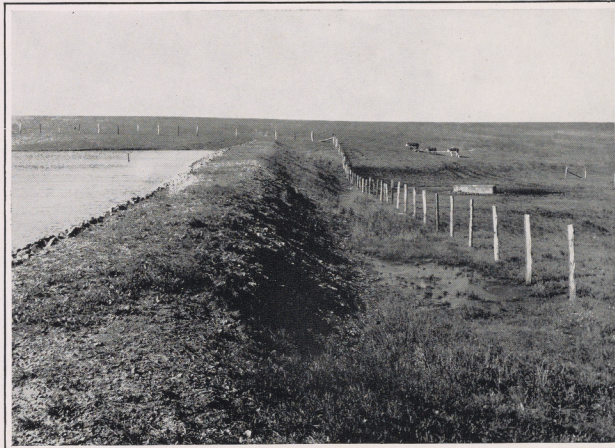
Small farm pond with watershed slopes that are well protected with forest cover.



Farm pond fenced to prevent pollution by livestock and to encourage growth of vegetation.



Large farm pond which is stocked with fish. Ponds like this are valuable for recreational purposes.



A fenced farm pond with a watering tank below the dam. An automatic valve maintains the level of the water in the tank.



Good stand of grass on a farm pond dam.



Chart No. 10



Spillway for farm pond protected by grass to prevent erosion.